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Applicant : Lin Zhi *et al.* Art Unit : 1623
Serial No. : 10/080,503 Examiner : Lawrence E. Crane, Ph.D.
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Title : **TRICYCLIC QUINOLINONE AND TRICYCLIC QUINOLINE
ANDROGEN RECEPTOR MODULATOR COMPOUNDS AND METHOD**

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action, mailed January 25, 2006, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are respectfully requested. It is respectfully submitted that the amendments and arguments presented below either place the application into condition for allowance or reduce the number of issues for appeal. For example, claims 1 and 58 are amended to define the substituents of the optionally substituted groups, obviating the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, first and second paragraphs. Claims 1 and 58 also are amended to separate the substituents for variables X and Z, as suggested by the Examiner in the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph. Claims 1, 9, 29-31, 49, 50, 58, 63, 71 and 72 are amended to cancel subject matter directed to substituents that when taken together form a carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring, obviating the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 22 of this paper.

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